



The Florida House of Representatives

Dean Cannon
Speaker

MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the Florida House of Representatives

FROM: Dean Cannon, Speaker

DATE: November 30, 2010

RE: Week of December 6, 2010

As you have been notified previously, the House will be holding a series of policy discussions the week of December 6, 2010.

The discussions will begin Tuesday, December 7, 2010, at 9:00 AM. Tuesday morning will include a separate series for our freshmen and returning Members. Freshmen will discuss matters of protocol and personnel, followed by a briefing on the House Rules. Returning Members will undertake an advanced overview of the state budget, followed by a discussion of protocol and personnel matters. After lunch, all Members will participate in briefings on issues facing the FY 2011-12 budget. Tuesday afternoon, in partnership with the Senate, I anticipate that Members will be invited to attend an educational function outside of the Capitol. More details will follow soon, but please do not schedule any activities that afternoon.

All Members will start Wednesday morning with a briefing on the current economic trends and the outlook for our state by Amy Baker from the Legislature's Office of Economic & Demographic Research. Following that briefing, discussions will resume on policy areas important to Florida's future. I anticipate the policy discussions will conclude Wednesday afternoon by 3:00 PM.

An agenda for these two days is attached to this email. Discussions will be conducted numerous times during each meeting block to give Members the opportunity to attend multiple sessions, depending on their interests. I am hopeful that these December meetings will help prepare our Members to begin hearing bills in January when we return for committee weeks.

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Additionally, Members who are named Chairs of subcommittees should anticipate attending meetings on Wednesday afternoon and Thursday to begin familiarizing themselves with their responsibilities. Subcommittee Chair assignments will be named Monday morning, December 6, 2010.

My goal is to make sure that your time in Tallahassee is maximized and productive. I look forward to seeing you next week.